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In re application of P. Habermann
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Nucleic Acids, Proteins and Processes Thereof Such as Use of Fusion Proteins
Whose N-terminal Part is a Hirudin Derivative for the Production of Recombinant
Proteins via Secretion by Yeasts

(Atty. Docket No. P 30,612 USA)

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are: (A) a Reply Under 37 CFR §1.114 to Examiner's November 29, 2004 Action; (B) a Request for Continued Examination; (C) a Petition

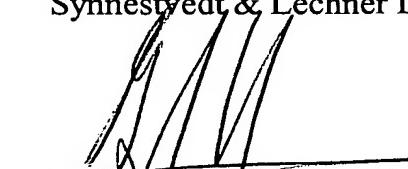
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for Extension of Time (three months); and (D) Form PTO-2038 to pay the fees related to the aforementioned Request and Petition and to cover additional claim fees required.

If there is any error in the fee due, please charge or credit the difference to Deposit Account No. 19-5425. A duplicate of this Transmittal Letter is attached.

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